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Applicant: Mark A. Autry  
Serial No.: 09/928,162  
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For: UPGRADING A BIOS

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Group Art Unit: 2116  
Examiner: James K. Trujillo  
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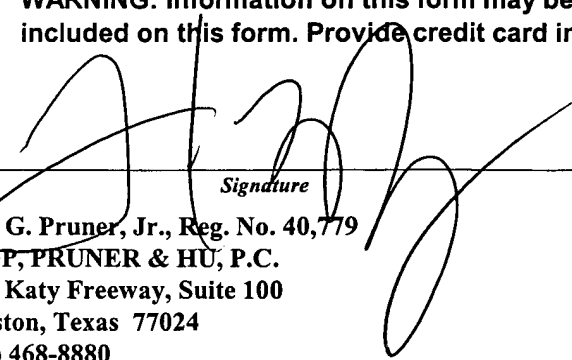

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the claims in accordance with the following CLAIM AMENDMENTS section; and consider the comments in the following REMARKS section.

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Application No. <b>09/928,162</b>	Filing Date <b>08/10/2001</b>	Examiner <b>James J. Trujillo</b>	Customer No. <b>21906</b>	Group Art Unit <b>2116</b>	Confirmation No. <b>7312</b>
Invention: <b>UPGRADING A BIOS</b>					
<b>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
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TOTAL CLAIMS	31 -	27 =	4	x \$50.00	\$200.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4 -	3 =	1	x \$200.00	\$200.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
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